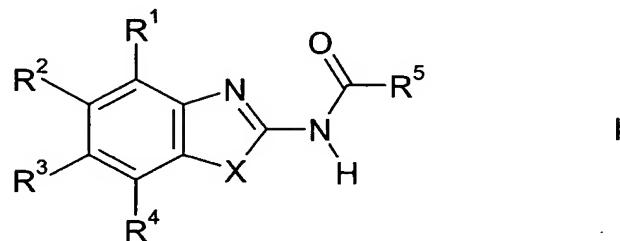


Abstract

The present invention relates to acylamino-substituted heteroaromatic compounds of
5 formula I,



wherein R¹, R², R³, R⁴ and R⁵ and X are as defined herein, to pharmaceutical
10 compositions comprising such compounds, to methods for the stimulation of the
expression of endothelial NO synthase, and methods of treatment comprising
administering such compounds.